GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3164
ANSWERED ON:11.05.2006
MISSING OF CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS
Paraste Shri Dalpat Singh

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain confidential documents of army are missing at Indo-China border as reported in the 'Navbharat Times' dated March 17, 2006;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard;

(d) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(e) the action taken against the officers found guilty?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3164 FOR ANSWER ON 11.5.2006

A case of missing classified documents of the Army has come to the notice of the Government as reported in the Navbharat Times of 17th March 2006. The case was detected in Head Quarters 4 Corps at Tezpur in July 2005 in which it was found that a Service personnel attached to the Head Quarters was involved in stealing a few classified documents and data. A Court of Inquiry was convened in this regard.

The Court of Inquiry found the concerned Service person guilty and ten others blame worthy of negligence. Disciplinary and Administrative proceedings against these Service personnel have been initiated as per rules.